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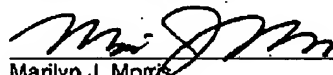
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This Amendment and Response is filed in response to the non-final Office Action mailed from the USPTO February 24, 2006. It is believed that no additional fee is currently due. In the event that an additional fee is deemed necessary or overpayment due in connection with this response, the undersigned authorizes the charge to be applied to Deposit Account No. 50-2679.

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